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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS SUPPRESSION EQUIPMENT

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1. EXCHANGE OF NOTES AND SIGNATURE OF PROAG NOW RPT NOW SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY JUNE 28. DIRECTOR-GENRAL PEOPLE'S POLICE FORCE WILL SIGN EXCHANGE OF NOTES ON BEHALF OF GUB. WILL ADVISE BY IMMEDIATE CABLE WHEN AGREEMENTS SIGNED.

2. FOREIGN MINISTRY (U PYI SOE) SUGGESTS TWO CHANGES IN DRAFT PRESS RELEASE: (A) IN SECOND SENTENCE, DELET QTE AIRLIFTING ARMED SECURITY FORCES INTO REMOTE REGIONS TO ATTACK UNQTE AND SUBSTIZQTE QTE ATTACKING UNQTE; (B) IN NEXT TO LAST SENTENCE, DELETE QTE WHICH WILL BE OPERATED BY THE BAF UNQTE. PYI SOE EXPLAINED BOTH CHANGES AS BASED ON DESIRE TO AVOID IMPLYING MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, WHICH IS ALSO EVIDENCED BY GUB DECISION TO DESIGNATE PPF AS IMPLEMENTING AGENCY.

3. RECOMMEND DELETIONS BE MADE AS REQUESTED BY PYI SOE, BUT THAT SUBSTANCE OF DELETIONS BE PROVIDED IN REPLY TO QUESTIONS IF ASKED. WE HAVE ALREADY WARNED PYI SOE THAT SUCH QUESTIONS MIGHT BE POSED AND THAT WE COULD NOT ANSWER INACCURATELY.

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